

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: SMITH AND WHITTINGTON)
 SERIAL NO: 09/506,189)
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 FOR: METHOD FOR CONSTRUCTING A)
 ART UNIT: 2124)
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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Director of Patents
 P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated 22 February 2006. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$510 for payment of the fee. Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-1500 for any additional charges associated with this Petition.

Please immediately contact the undersigned if there are any questions regarding this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,



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